

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-22 are pending. Claims 1-7 and 20-22 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 8, 9, and 15-19 are rejected. Claims 10-14 are objected to.

Claim 8 is currently amended to clarify that the method encompasses administering the compound, followed by diagnosing then treating the tumor (tandem photodiagnosis and phototherapy). Tandem photodiagnosis and phototherapy indicates that these procedures occur "one after the other" (see, e.g., The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Morris, Ed., Houghton Mifflin Company, 1976, p. 1314, attached with this Amendment). Support for this amendment is found in the specification at least at page 29, lines 2-10. Thus, no new matter is added.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, applicants submit that all of the claims are patentable, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Applicants know of no fee due with this submission. However, if any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

The Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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